

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF SOUTH CAROLINA

DOCKETING DEPARTMENT

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

DOCKET NO. 2005-243-WS

PUBLIC HEARING REGARDING WATER AND WASTEWATER PERFORMANCE BONDS THAT ARE POSTED WITH THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF SOUTH CAROLINA

On September 13, 2005, the Public Service Commission (the Commission) during its regularly scheduled weekly commission meeting voted to schedule a public hearing to address whether the Commission's regulations governing performance bonds filed by water and wastewater utilities with the Commission should be amended. One of the primary reasons for the Commission's ruling is to gather additional information from interested persons as to whether the Commission's water and wastewater performance bonds regulations need to be changed. 26 S.C. Code Ann. Regs. 103-512.3 through 103-512.3.3 and 26 S.C. Code Ann. Regs. 103-712.3 through 103-712.3.3 govern bonds, sureties, and financial statements of wastewater and water utilities, respectively, that are governed by the Commission.

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that a hearing on the above matter has been scheduled to begin at **10:30 a.m. on Thursday, January 12, 2006**, before the Commission in the Commission's Hearing Room at 101 Executive Center Drive, Saluda Building, Columbia, South Carolina.

Any person who wishes to participate in this matter, as a party of record with the right of cross-examination should file a Petition to Intervene in accordance with the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, on or before **October 19, 2005** and indicate the amount of time required for his presentation. Please include an email address for receipt of future Commission correspondence in the Petition to Intervene. *Please refer to Docket No. 2005-243-WS.*

Any person who wishes to testify and present evidence at the hearing should notify the Docketing Department in writing at the address below, and the Office of Regulatory Staff at Post Office Box 11263, Columbia, South Carolina 29211, on or before **October 19, 2005**, and indicate the amount of time required for his presentation. *Please refer to Docket No. 2005-243-WS.*

Any person who wishes to be notified of any change in the hearing date, but does not wish to present testimony or be a party of record, may do so by notifying the Docketing Department in writing at the address below on or before **October 19, 2005**. *Please refer to Docket No. 2005-243-WS.*

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE: Any person who wishes to have his or her comments considered as part of the official record of this proceeding **MUST** present such comments, in person, to the Commission during the hearing.

Persons seeking information about the Commission's Procedures should contact the Commission's offices by dialing (803) 896-5100.

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